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#### PREVIOUSLY IN SPAWN

As Spawn continues his plight to find who killed his wife, Wanda, Gabrielle, a demon from long ago, returns to help a demon from Hell to fight against Spawn. Elsewhere, a large explosion alerts Spawn to a nearby clearing. Out of the smoke, a figure appears. Not sure if he's an angel or demon, Spawn approaches him. The figure creates a dome around them and invites Spawn to fight. They begin an epic battle that ultimately looks like Spawn will lose, but at the last minute, he succeeds in defeating this seemingly dangerous creature. The dome dissolves and Spawn morphs out of his costume and shows the humans gathered around, his true identity.





HE HAD PLANNED THIS MOMENT FOR MONTHS. LIKE A MASTER CHESS PLAYER, EACH PRIOR MOVE HE'D MADE WAS JUST ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS ULTIMATELY TRAPPING THE OPPONENT.

AND NOW, HE HAS EXPOSED HIS ENEMY'S GREAT WEAKNESS... BECAUSE WHEN THE "SHADOW PLAYERS" ARE NO LONGER SAFE IN THE SHADOWS, WHERE ELSE CAN THEY HIDE?

MR. SIMMONS!

ARE YOU AMERICAN?

YOU SAID...

WHAT ARE YOU?

HOW DID...

BUT TO EXPOSE HIDDEN FORCES, HE FIRST HAD TO EXPOSE HIMSELF.

WHY DO YOU NEED TO SAVE OUR SOULS? WHY'D YOU SAY THAT?

BECAUSE IF I DON'T, THEY'LL NEVER LEAVE YOU ALONE.







THE CROWD DOESN'T LISTEN. AGAIN, THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT SPAWN WAS HOPING FOR.

LOOK UP MY NAME! LIEUTENANT COLONEL AL SIMMONS! FIND OUT WHERE I WORKED, WHO WAS IN CHARGE, WHAT OUR MISSIONS WERE!

AND DON'T BELIEVE ANY OF THEIR LIES!



THE HANDCUFFS WERE A NUISANCE, AND SO ARE THESE COPS.



I SAID MOVE YOUR ASS!





SPAWN DOESN'T BUDGE. AND THEY CAN'T MOVE HIS 800-POUND FRAME. SO, AS INKY BLACKNESS POURS OVER HIS FACE, THE OFFICERS REACT THE ONLY WAY THEY'VE BEEN TRAINED WHEN FACING "IMMINENT DANGER."



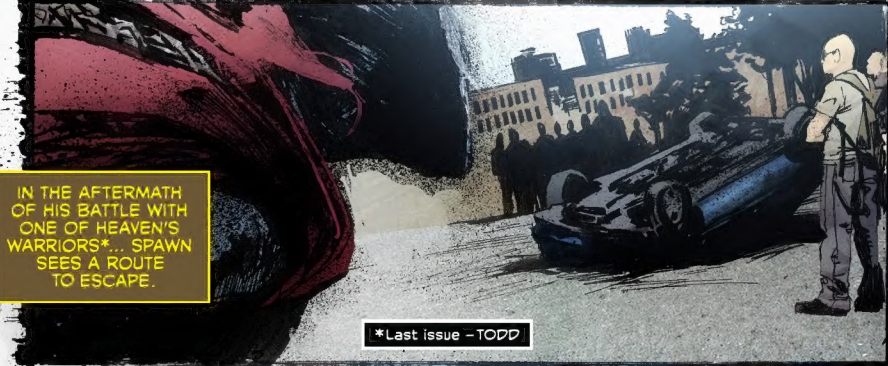
AND THAT'S THE USE OF DEADLY FORCE.



WHAT TURNS TOWARDS THEM NEXT IS A HELLISH UNINJURED "THING," THAT IMAGE WILL HAUNT THEM FOR YEARS TO COME.








IN THE AFTERMATH  
OF HIS BATTLE WITH  
ONE OF HEAVEN'S  
WARRIORS\*... SPAWN  
SEES A ROUTE  
TO ESCAPE.

\*Last issue - TODD



THE ONLY WAY  
HE CAN TRAVEL IS  
THROUGH SHADOWS.  
HIS CHAINS CREATE  
THAT PORTAL.



HE REPEATS  
HIS COMMAND...

DON'T  
BELIEVE  
THEIR  
LIES.

...THEN SIMPLY  
DISAPPEARS.

CRASH







HOURS LATER, SPAWN HAS BARELY MOVED. THOUGH HE KNEW HE NO LONGER HAD ANY CHOICE, HE COULDN'T KEEP WONDERING IF IT WILL BE ENOUGH BY TEARING APART THE STOCK MARKET AND CAUSING GLOBAL UNREST, THAT FINANCIAL IMPACT WOULD AFFECT MILLIONS OF LIVES---PERHAPS EVEN BILLIONS.

AND THOSE INNOCENT PEOPLE WILL HAVE HAD NO SAY INTO WHY THEIR LIVES ARE NOW BEING USED TO "FLUSH OUT" THE ENEMY. AS A MILITARY MAN, AL SIMMONS UNDERSTANDS THE CONCEPT OF 'COLLATERAL DAMAGE' DURING WAR.

BUT IN THIS CASE, THE HUMAN POPULACE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW THERE'S A BATTLE GOING ON. A BATTLE AGAINST HEAVEN AND HELL. A BATTLE AGAINST GODS TRYING TO CONTROL MANKIND'S WILL.

AND THE ONLY WAY TO POSSIBLY DESTROY THEM IS, FOR **SPAWN** TO PLAY "GOD" HIMSELF. TO BECOME THE VERY THING, HE HATES THE MOST.



# DEAD MAN WALKING



Donec tempus justo ut  
mollis ex egetas. Praesent  
hendrerit, ex vel aliquet  
efficitur, enim sapien felis  
pulvinar nisl, sed vehicula  
et nulla lacus et augue.  
Aliquam id pretium nisl  
torior, non bibendum orci  
cursus vitae. Mauris id  
nunc et eros. Aenean  
hendrerit sed laboris justo.  
Fusce in eros at lectus  
maurise dignissim sit amet

Quisque tempus, sem at  
venenatis mollis, urna ligula  
malesie dapibus sapien, et  
sim diam metus eu  
tortor, maximus lectus  
malesie dignissim  
clam  
montes, nascetur ridiculus  
mus. Aenean posuere urna  
ac commodo altrices.  
Ut a posuere nisl. Nulla  
facilisi. Maecenas commodo  
efficitur neque a tincidunt.  
Donec pulvinar hendrerit  
malesie. Duis eger iaculis  
efficitur. In pulvinar augue.  
malesie pharetra felis  
malesie sit

"TODAY'S TOP STORY CONTINUES TO BE THE UNMASKING OF A MAN WHO SAYS HE IS LT. COLONEL AL SIMMONS. BUT QUICK RESEARCH ON THE INTERNET TELLS US THAT MR. SIMMONS DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY OVER FIFTEEN YEARS AGO. AS VIDEO AND PHOTOS OF TODAY'S EVENTS UNFOLD WE ARE ALL LEFT WITH DOZEN OF MORE QUESTIONS THAN ANSWERS.

"WITH THE MASSIVE EXPLOSION THAT OCCURRED DURING A PROTEST IN FRONT OF THE CAPITOL BUILDING, WE HAVE TO ASK, 'DID THIS MAN, CLAIMING TO BE AL SIMMONS, CAUSE THE EXPLOSION? AND WHO WAS THE OTHER COSTUMED INDIVIDUAL THAT APPEARED BEFORE THEY WERE HIDDEN BY A STRANGE DOME OF SMOKE?'"

**MILITARY HERO, LT. COL. AL SIMMONS BACK FROM THE DEAD?**

**LIVE UPDATES**

- 10 min ago: Hero or Pawn: Who is Al Simmons?
- 15 min ago: Global cover-up of hero's death leads to many unanswered questions
- 1 hr 29 min ago: Capes? New Spring fashion or just another comic book fad?
- 3 hr 41 min ago: JSA draw the line: 'Focused on Simmons' future, not his past'
- 7 hr 3 min ago: Butler: 'Putting everything together. Deadline will be met'

**Top stories**

**Pentagon Simmons' return: 'No Comment'**

Betrayal: Simmons' 'widow' moved on, married the 'fallen' hero's best friend

VIDEO: 'Live' footage of Simmons' return

VIDEO: 'Simmons' return: Real or Hoax?

JSA draw the line: 'Focused on Simmons' future, not his past'

Butler: 'Putting everything together. Deadline will be met'

SKE set to make return March 13 with fourth installment

LIVE UPDATES

"EXPERTS ARE GRAPPLING TO CONFIRM THAT VIDEOS POSTED OF MR. SIMMONS TURNING INTO SOME HIDEOUS BLACK MONSTER ARE INDEED AUTHENTIC. BUT DOZENS OF EYE WITNESSES ARE CONFIRMING THAT ALL OF THIS ACTUALLY HAPPENED. SO, WHAT IS HE? IS HE DANGEROUS? AND HOW, IF EVERYTHING WE'VE SEEN IS TRUE, IS THIS HAPPENING?"

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NEW YORK - Al Simmons is alive! And the questions have

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"PHOTO EXPERTS SAY THAT THIS MAN ACTUALLY BEARS A STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO THE AL SIMMONS WHO DIED ALL THOSE YEARS AGO AS PHOTO COMPARISONS ON THE INTERNET HAVE FLOODED NEARLY EVERY WEBSITE. AND HE TOLD BYSTANDERS TO INVESTIGATE HIS PAST. SO, WE'VE REACHED OUT TO SOME TOP MILITARY OFFICIALS WHO SAID THAT THE WHITE HOUSE WILL BE MAKING ALL COMMENTS ON THEIR BEHALF."

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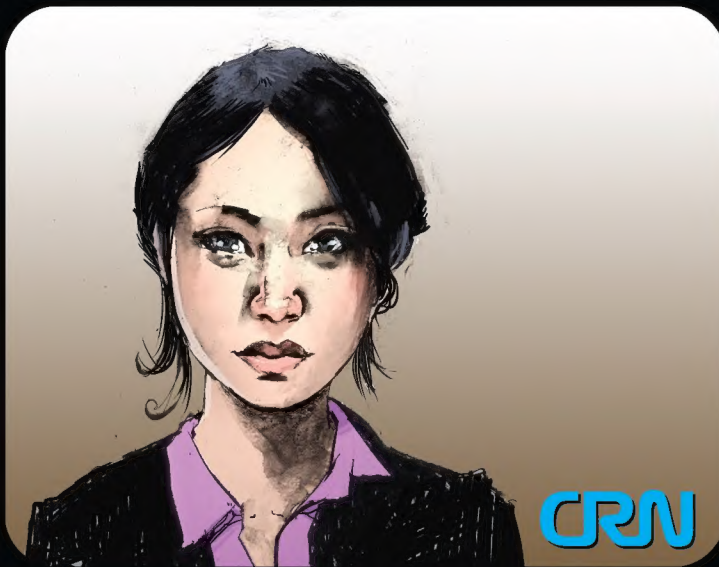
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## DEAD 'HERO' NOT SO DEAD

More inside:





"Confusion continues to surround the events of yesterday's mysterious explosion and the reveal of two men dressed in battle garb. One of whom is now claiming the identity of a long deceased, highly-decorated soldier, who served on President Mitchell's security detail, having saved his life.

"But aside from all that, the backdrop of how all this connects to the masked man's arrest and imprisonment earlier this month, continues to swirl. The Pentagon and Political leaders are scrambling to provide answers. There is concern that C.E.O.s at a handful of Fortune 500 companies appear to be avoiding criticism of both the White House and military."



"Questions are now being asked amid all the stunning events of the past day. As to what possible leverage, if any, the political climate of our country is forcing some companies into their own oddly timed silence. And as all this is also against the backdrop of the stock market collapse, there is a fear factor that is now permeating across many, many sectors as well as the public sphere.

"Though the economic pain of stocks decreasing seem to be hitting about a dozen corporations far more forcefully than others. Early investigations now show a financial tie between these firms that are being hit hardest. Further searching also seems to indicate that all these businesses also have strong ties to not only our government but also those of many other country political circles. Two of them are owned by the same individuals who once employed a man by the name of Al Simmons."



"I TOLD YOU SO! You've heard me say over and over again...there are leaders from other countries that have made it their personal mission to destroy our democracy. SO... this man who calls himself Al Simmons is nothing more than a foreign agent attempting to cause chaos amongst the very citizens of this country. They want us to question our leaders, hoping to grow dissent and anger at the very institutions that we hold so dearly!

**SCREW THOSE NATIONS** who **DARE** insult our resilience! And **SCREW their LEADERS!!!!** We are strong and will not be bullied by some feeble attempts to scare our people by sending some spy to our shores dressed in a red cape. He is a fake! He is an illegal! He is a SPY. Nothing about this "Mr. Simmons" is true. And how dare he say he was ever a part of our great military!"







TIME. IT'S SOMETHING  
AL SIMMONS HAS MOSTLY  
SQUANDERED SINCE THE DAY  
HE FIRST BECAME SPAWN.



THINKING HE COULD JUST KEEP PUSHING  
THINGS AWAY UNTIL THEY LEFT HIM  
ALONE. BUT THEY DIDN'T. THEY NEVER  
LEFT HIM ALONE. INSTEAD THEY SENT  
A CONSTANT BARRAGE OF DEMONIC  
SERVANTS TO POKE AND PROD HIM  
TO ACCEPT HIS FATE.

AND BECAUSE HE WANTED TO  
SO BADLY JUST BE A MAN AGAIN,  
HE IGNORED THEM AS MUCH AS  
HE COULD. UNTIL THE ONLY WAY  
TO GET HIS ATTENTION WAS  
TO MURDER HIS WIFE.

AND NOW, AS HE  
TOYS WITH THEM,  
THEY'RE GETTING  
HIS COMPLETE  
AND UNDIVIDED  
ATTENTION.







C'MON!  
WE'RE NOT  
GOING TO DO  
THIS DANCE  
AGAIN ARE  
WE?



I MEAN, **REALLY?**  
HOW MANY TIMES ARE WE  
GOING TO DO THIS? YOU SIT  
AND BROOD. I COME. I KICK  
YOUR ASS. I LEAVE.

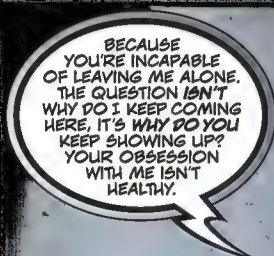
LIKE, **HOW**  
DO YOU EVEN  
KNOW I'LL  
SHOW UP?



BECAUSE  
YOU ALWAYS  
DO. YOU KNOW  
WHY?



WHY?



BECAUSE  
YOU'RE INCAPABLE  
OF LEAVING ME ALONE.  
THE QUESTION ISN'T  
WHY DO I KEEP COMING  
HERE, IT'S **WHY** DO YOU  
KEEP SHOWING UP?  
YOUR OBSESSION  
WITH ME ISN'T  
HEALTHY.



OH  
YEAH? WELL  
**SUCK ON  
THESE!**





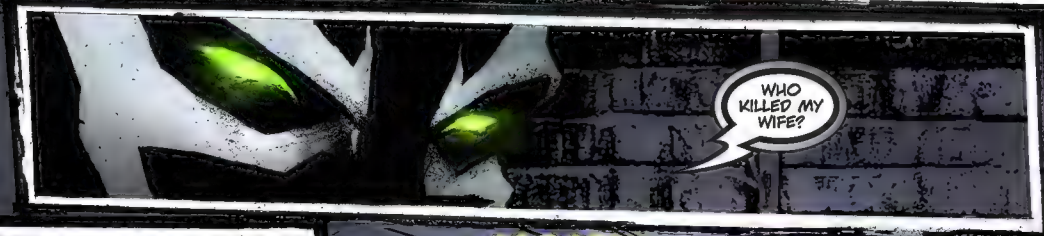
THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
ODD ABOUT  
YOU?

YOUR SCARS  
AND MARKINGS,  
THEY'RE  
DIFFERENT.

YOU JUST  
NOTICED?

YOU THINK  
YOU'RE THE ONLY  
ONE WHO MORPHS? GET OVER  
YOURSELF! I HELPED BUILD YOUR  
COSTUME. YOUR WHOLE 'SYMBIOTE  
THING' WAS MY IDEA. MALEBOGIA  
JUST TOOK CREDIT FOR IT. WHY  
DO YOU THINK HE SENT ME TO  
WATCH OVER YOU ALL  
THIS TIME?

BECAUSE  
I'M THE ONLY  
ONE WHO KNOWS  
HOW TO TAME  
THAT COSTUME  
OF YOURS.



WHO  
KILLED MY  
WIFE?



WHAT  
DOES THAT  
HAVE TO DO  
WITH WHAT  
I JUST  
SAID?

**FORGET  
IT! NEVER  
MIND!**

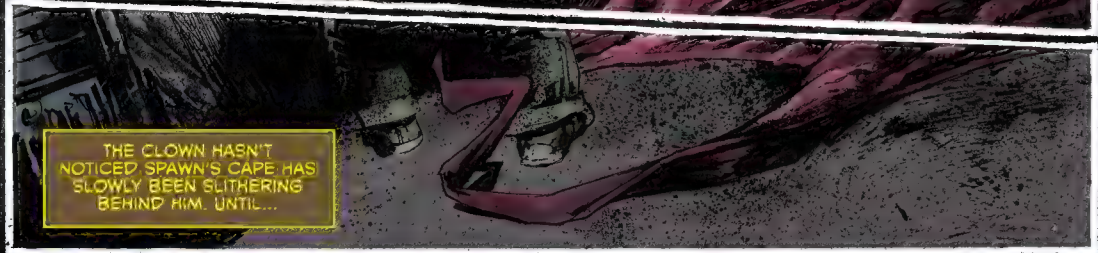
YOU KNOW  
WHAT THIS IS DON'T  
YOU? AND WHAT IT DID  
TO YOU LAST TIME, RIGHT?  
WHICH MEANS YOU'RE  
NOT IN CONTROL...  
**I AM!**







BUT I'M  
CURIOUS.  
WHY'D YOU LET  
THE WORLD KNOW  
YOU'RE  
SIMMONS?



THE CLOWN HASN'T  
NOTICED SPAWN'S CAPE HAS  
SLOWLY BEEN SLITHERING  
BEHIND HIM. UNTIL....



YOU WANT  
TO CHOKE  
ME?!



HA HA HA HA HA



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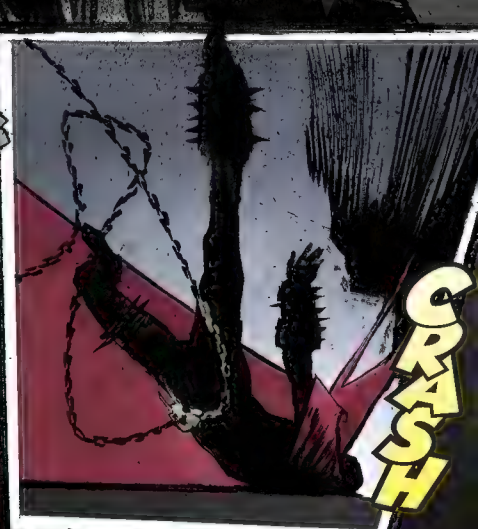




I DON'T  
EVEN BREATHE  
**YOUR AIR!**  
YOU KNOW THAT!  
GOD DAMN IT,  
**YOU  
KNOW  
THAT!**



VIOLATOR SNAPS  
SPAWN'S CAPE  
LIKE A WHIP



**CRASH**



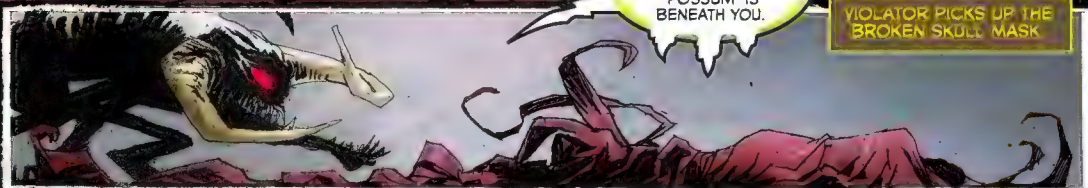


HOW DO YOU  
THINK ALL THIS IS  
GOING TO END IN THE  
LONG RUN? THAT  
YOU'LL WIN?

I KNOW YOU'RE  
SMART AND THINK  
YOU'VE PLANNED EVERY-  
THING OUT, BUT YOU'RE NOT  
CRAZY ENOUGH TO THINK  
YOU CAN TAKE ON HEAVEN  
AND HELL COMBINED,  
DO YOU?

AND STOP  
ACTING LIKE  
YOU'RE HURT. PLAYING  
'POSSUM' IS  
BENEATH YOU.

**VIOLATOR PICKS UP THE  
BROKEN SKULL MASK**



GET UP,  
BEFORE I REALLY  
HURT YOU.












BECAUSE  
YOU'RE GOING  
TO TELL THEM  
THAT I'VE  
CHANGED.



THAT  
THINGS ARE  
GOING TO BE  
DIFFERENT.



TELL  
THEM...



THEY'RE  
NOT THE ONLY  
ONES WHO  
WIELD HELL'S  
POWERS!





STUNNED, THE VIOLATOR INSTANTLY ATTACKS AS HE FORMULATES WHAT TO DO NEXT.

THE BATTLE IS BRUTAL AS BOTH COMBATANTS SAVAGE EACH OTHER FOR NEARLY TEN MINUTES. BUT VIOLATOR KNOWS HE CAN'T WIN THE FIGHT THIS WAY.



HE'LL NEED TO UTILIZE ONE OF HIS UNSEEN POWERS, TOO.



A HEARTBEAT LATER, SPAWN AND VIOLATOR STAND HALF A WORLD AWAY.



THEIR DESTINATION  
BEING NO ACCIDENT

YOU FEEL  
IT DON'T YOU?  
SAPPING YOUR  
POWERS.

I DON'T  
NEED TO BEAT  
YOU MYSELF... THE  
SUN WILL DO THAT  
FOR ME.

"YOU'VE ALWAYS KNOWN YOU'RE  
WEAKER IN THE DAYLIGHT. IT'S  
WHY YOU LIKE THE SHADOWS  
SO MUCH. IT'S IN YOUR D.N.A.  
IN YOUR SYMBIOTE'S D.N.A.

"BECAUSE DARKNESS  
STRENGTHENS YOU. IT  
BUILDS YOU. THAT'S THE  
VAMPIRE PORTION  
INSIDE YOU.

"AND THOUGH  
YOU'VE EXPOSED  
YOURSELF  
HUNDREDS OF  
TIMES TO THE LIGHT,  
YOU ALWAYS  
CRAWLED BACK TO  
THE SHADOWS."







A comic book illustration of a pale, muscular figure with dark, spiky hair hanging from a large, weathered wooden cross in a vast, yellow desert under a blue sky. The figure's body is covered in dark, spiky protrusions. In the lower right, a smaller, more grotesque figure with a wide, toothy grin and a striped shirt stands on the ground, looking up at the figure on the cross.

AND  
NEITHER WILL  
ANYONE ELSE!  
YOU'RE ABOUT TO  
**DIE,**  
HELLSPAWN!  
AND I'M  
GOING TO LAUGH  
MY ASS OFF  
WHEN YOU  
DO.

**To Be Continued**



# SPAWNING GROUND

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## Hello ALL,

Only SIX MORE ISSUES to 300!! I can't believe this milestone is so close to reality!

To celebrate the big event, Todd McFarlane Productions is ramping up to bring your MORE Spawn. We can't pull back the current on everything we have coming just yet, but here's a look at a few of the books headed your way over the coming months...

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This is just the start!! SPAWN #300 is coming! And so is MORE information on the books above and more than a few surprises. Who's ready?

-Jon and Shannon



NEXT ISSUE

SPAWN comes face to face with his wife's killer!



# SPAWN

# KILLS

# 2

EVERYONE!

The top half of the cover features the title 'SPAWN KILLS 2' in large, stylized letters. 'SPAWN' is in red with a black outline and a skull icon for the letter 'A'. 'KILLS' is in green with a black outline. '2' is in yellow with a black outline. The word 'EVERYONE!' is written in a white, jagged font across the '2'. Numerous small, blue, round alien creatures with red bands and green eyes are scattered around the title. At the bottom left, the character Spawn is shown in a dynamic pose, wearing his signature red cape and black suit, holding a large, futuristic silver gun. A small signature 'MCFARIANE' is visible near his feet.

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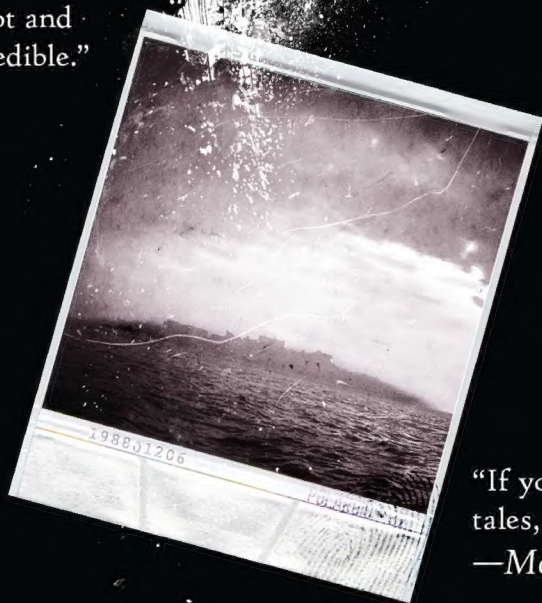
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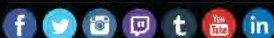
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# The weather man.

Jody LeHeup  
Nathan Fox

The future's only  
hope... has a zero  
percent chance.

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